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**MAJOR PARKE CASE IS NOW CLOSED**

BEEN GRANTED A THIRTY-DAY LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

The indications are that the case is practically decided in his favor—Colonel Stone paid a visit to the camp—Thirteenth to be made a three battalion regiment. This indicates that it is destined for service in Cuba or elsewhere.

Special to The Tribune.

Camp Meade, Middletown, Pa., Sept. 29.—The case of Major C. R. Parke has been closed. The evidence is all in favor of Parke. Colonel Stone, who was in charge of the Thirteenth's headquarters this morning on business, and back to his friends good-bye. He left on a thirty-day leave of absence, an indication that his case is considered as practically decided in his favor. He was supposed to be under arrest, and the permission given to him to go home shows what result is expected.

Colonel William A. Stone, Republican candidate for the governorship, was in camp today and called upon Colonel Courson. He made the rounds of the company streets and expressed himself as very favorably impressed with the soldierly appearance of the men and the scrupulous cleanliness of the Thirteenth's quarters. He dined with Colonel Courson and the staff.

The prospect of attaching a part of the First Delaware to the Thirteenth as is to make the latter a three-battalion regiment now seems about to be realized, and no stronger indication that we will be held in the service for some time could be had than this. It will be remembered that the regular United States Infantry regiments consist of three battalions, and it has been the evident purpose of the government to produce among the volunteer troops a conformity with this rule. It looks very much now as though this will happen also in the case of the Thirteenth, and that once done, a winter vacation for the boys in Cuba or Porto Rico would no longer be a probability, but an absolute certainty.

**WILL BE MORE CONTENT.**

The die will soon be cast, and the men will then be more content. It is the uncertainty of the situation which affects them most and makes them restless. While they would certainly object very seriously to being used for garrison purposes for two years on foreign soil, there is only a small percentage of those who have left the camp dependent on them at home, that would object to going to the West Indies till next summer. That, however, would be the extreme length.

The records of the cases of sickness in the Thirteenth, the Fourth Missouri, the Eighth Pennsylvania and the Fifteenth Minnesota, have recently been obtained as they stand up to date, and they are certainly interesting. The Missouri and the Minnesota regiments are composed of twelve companies each. The former has four hundred and forty-one enlisted men, and the latter four hundred and fifty, giving, on the average, one man out of every three incapable of attending to duty. The Eighth Pennsylvania has ten companies and one hundred and thirty-nine men on the sick list—or one man in every seven. The Thirteenth, composed of eight companies, has now eighty-five names on the hospital reports, or, in other words, there is one sick man to every nine who are well. These figures show that, notwithstanding the many cases of sickness which have been reported from day to day in the regiment, the Thirteenth is far from being the worst in camp. In fact, if the figures of other commands could be obtained they would show beyond a doubt that the Thirteenth is one of the healthiest regiments in the second army corps. There are many reasons for this—most of the men are hardy, and from experiences received in National Guard encampments know how to take care of themselves under all the conditions of this life. Besides this, the officers from the colonel down, and the medical staff are always vigilant, and are prompt not only to check disease whenever it appears, but

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even to prevent it entirely. The figures of the Thirteenth sick appear large, because of the interest which acquaintances, friends and relatives at home have in the boys.

**SICKNESS ON INCREASE.**

For the past few days sickness has been somewhat on the increase, owing to the heavy rains, fogs and the variable conditions of the weather, but most of the cases were no more serious than slight colds.

About two weeks ago while engaged in athletic games with some of the boys, Private Thomas A. Lewis, of A company, had his right forearm severely wrenched. Though it pained him somewhat he paid no attention to it further than to paint it with iodine. As it grew worse instead of better, he went to see Major Keller yesterday. The diagnosis of the arm was completed this morning, and it was found that the bones were broken and splintered in several places. Dr. Keller set the bones and bandaged the arm, and expects that it will soon be as good as even.

Yesterday Privates John O'Brien, of Hartford, Conn., and John J. Timlin, son of Justice of the Peace John Timlin, of Archbald, members of Company H of the Second North Carolina, arrived at Camp Meade, and called to see Colonel Stone. They were quartered on the Island of St. Simon on the coast of Georgia, at Camp John B. Gordon. A few weeks ago the regiment was ordered to Raleigh, North Carolina, and was stationed at Camp Shipp-Bagley, named after Lieutenant Shipp, of the Fourth Rhode Island, and Captain Worth Bagley, of the Winslow, the first American sailor killed in the late war. Both men looked tanned and healthy and were coming north on a thirty-day furlough, at the end of which time they will return to camp to be mustered out.

Privates O'Brien and Timlin tell some very peculiar tales of soldier life in the South where negro lynching is more popular than "Yankee Doodle," and where men were treated in the hospitals more like cattle than anything else. Private Timlin is a member of Professor Guth's South Side band, which is attached to the Second North Carolina.

**BULLS AT LARGE.**

Last night two bulls broke loose from a neighboring farm and for a time raised havoc and consternation in the camp. They entered the stables, and then headed for the stables, belching madly, and in a short time the colored cooks and hostlers were flying in every direction. The half-wild animals afterwards made a tour of the camp, and kept the boys awake till 12 o'clock. They were finally rounded up by members of the guard at the point of the bayonet, and chased outside the lines. These undesirable nightly visitors will not be welcome in the future, and their presence will be guarded against.

Heretofore, until the Second battalion returns and the commissioned officers who are now sick shall have been returned to duty, Colonel Courson has decided to let sergeants act as officers of the guard. For the past two weeks this position has been filled alternately by Lieutenant Murphy, of C, and by Lieutenant Poole, of D, and being up every other night was more than the ordinary constitution could stand. This change will be much appreciated and will go into effect tomorrow.

Privates John Anderson and James O'Boyle, of A, the latter attached to the Second North Carolina, were confined to their beds with fever. They left here on furlough and were taken sick while home. They have applied for an extension of their furloughs.

Private Harry Smith, of D, was today discharged from regimental hospital, and in company with his father, J. K. Smith, of Scranton, left for home this afternoon on sick furlough.

Corporal William Dunkerly, of C, who has been sick in regimental hospital for a few days, is now improving rapidly. He had a fever, but not serious enough to be taken to division hospital.

**ARE BACK IN CAMP.**

Privates Boone, Bolles, Hoffman, Reinke, Cursiminski, Sherman, Gardner and Rice, of A, returned to camp last night from a seven-day furlough.

Private Bert Niles, of C, left for his home in New Milford, Susquehanna

county, last night. He is suffering from a cold and cough.

Harold Gillespie, of the hospital corps, is now able to attend to his duties after a few days' illness.

Samuel Richards, Company D's chef, is suffering from a sore back, the result of a strain. His case is not very serious. Private William Wehke takes his place in the kitchen.

The division officer of the day yesterday reported the camp of the Thirteenth as "in excellent condition."

Corporal Homer Pease, of A, yesterday entertained his cousin, Frank E. Eaton, of Harrisburg, and Mrs. Rosenberry, of Chambersburg.

Private Frank Keith, of A, left for home this afternoon on furlough.

Private William Kinback, of D, who returned last night from furlough, was one day behind time, but Captain Gilman with a bless-you-my-children gesture forgave him under the circumstances. The fact is Private Kinback, much to the surprise of all, bade adieu to bachelorhood while home visiting his family at Archbald. He married Miss Nettie Collins, of Kearsa, a cousin of Sergeant Lora B. Day, of the same company. The boys made things lively for him on his return, and offered their congratulations. Private Kinback treated them to cigars.

Corporal Fred Bellersheim, of B, today received word from home that his two children are seriously ill with diphtheria.

Corporal Bernard Haggerty, of C, had to be taken to Division hospital today. He is suffering from the result of a serious strain.

Richard J. Bourke.

**GIRARD'S LATEST ORDER.**

No More Patients Are to Be Sent to City Hospitals—Cause of This Radical Change of Plan.

By Associated Press.

Camp Meade, Middletown, Pa., Sept. 29.—Surgeon General Sternberg has instructed Chief Surgeon Girardi to send no more patients to city hospitals from Camp Meade. The contract of the trustees of the Good Samaritan hospital of Lebanon, is largely responsible for the surgeon general's action. After tendering the good offices of the hospital staff and the facilities of the institution to the medical department of the Second Army, the trustees demanded pay for treating soldiers from Michigan and Ohio. These communications were forwarded to the war department and from there to Colonel Girard. He at once notified the trustees that they would be allowed sixty cents a day for each soldier patient and that no more patients would be sent to that hospital, or to any other civil hospital.

The health conditions at Camp Meade are such that Colonel Girard thinks it is not necessary to relieve the hospitals by sending sick soldiers to institutions away from camp. The Red Cross society is doing splendid work and if necessary the society will fit up a hospital in Philadelphia for the care of sick soldiers that may be sent from Camp Meade. Forty patients are now being treated here after repeated offers from the president and trustees of that institution.

Governor Hastings said tonight that he did not believe any hospital in Pennsylvania would send a bill to the governor of a state for nursing a sick soldier away from camp. "It is not such a thing," he added, "would be unworthy of any hospital in the state, unworthy of the patriotic sentiment of the people and a reproach upon the fair name of our commonwealth."

Charles Robinson, of Philadelphia, an orderly at the Red Cross hospital, was stricken by typhoid fever last night. He was removed today to a Philadelphia hospital. There are several critical cases of typhoid, but the surgeons seem to have obtained the upper hand in the treatment of the disease.

Two deaths occurred last night. Private Archie Tomlin, Company K, First Maryland, died at the Red Cross hospital from typhoid fever, and his body will be taken to his late home in Mount Savage, Md., by his father, Private Archie Tomlin, Company A, Fourth Missouri, died at the Lebanon hospital this morning from the same disease.

Among the visitors at camp today were Colonel William A. Stone, Republican nominee for governor; D. B. Martin, general traffic manager; J. M. Schryver, general passenger agent of the Baltimore and Ohio, and Eshon J. Weeks, general passenger agent Philadelphia and Reading railway. Colonel Stone spent the greater part of the time with the Pennsylvania troops, and General Gobin.

A committee has been appointed by the Odd Fellows, of Harrisburg, to look after the sick members in camp. The camp has been divided into eight districts, and one district will be assigned to each lodge. These committees will visit the hospitals and generally look after the needs of the brethren in camp.

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- Lot 5—350 pairs Ladies' Dongola Button and Lace Shoes, were \$2, at \$1.29, \$1.49.
- Lot 6—175 pairs Ladies' Fine French Kid hand-turned shoes, at \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50.

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Major General Graham does not favor the erection of temporary barracks at Camp Meade. He thinks such barracks would be more unhealthy than the tents. It would require at least two months to erect permanent barracks. Colonel Howard, chief quartermaster, thinks the present quarters of the men at Camp Meade can be made comfortable during the month of October.

Colonel J. A. Corby, of St. Joseph, Mo., took formal command of the Second brigade, Second division, today. Lieutenant Colonel Burnham took command of the Fourth Missouri at the same time.

Superintendent Abercrombie, special agent of the Pennsylvania at Camp Meade, banqueted Generals Graham and Young at the Commonwealth hotel last night in honor of General Graham's sixty-fourth birthday anniversary.

Mrs. Morrell, of Washington, made a tour of the hospitals and will make a report to Secretary Alger. She says the troops now in the south will be sent to Cuba for duty as an army of occupation in the vicinity of Havana. Mrs. Morrell will go with them to establish kitchens at the field hospitals. Her husband was in charge of the expedition that went to Cuba last summer to establish United States weather bureaus. He was seized with typhoid fever and died soon after reaching this country.

**FOR LOCAL INSTITUTES.**

Committees Named for the Ensuing Year.

Arrangements for the district institutes are now being made by County Superintendent of Schools J. C. Taylor. He has divided the county into seven districts and proposes to have a local institute held three times a year at least in each district.

The committee, this year, will be as follows, the first named to act as chairman:

- First district (Carbondale and Fell townships)—J. E. Brennan, E. A. De Lano, M. Mearns, J. M. McLaughlin, Mary E. Barrett, Ida White, Margaret Higgins.
- Second district (Mayfield, Jermyn and Archbald)—William M. Taggart, F. S. McCarty, Louise Walsh, W. L. Rogers, Katie T. Mullen, Grace Vail, W. A. Kelly, James White, Mary Kelly.
- Third district (Winton, Blakey, Olyphant, Dickson and Throop)—John A. Moyles, Bridget Donnelly, C. A. Kenyon, Bertha Williams, M. W. Cumming, Katie Murray, M. J. Lloyd, L. J. Richards, John O'Hara, M. J. McCormac.
- Fourth district (Taylor, Lackawanna and Old Forge)—John F. Foley, Janet Ingles, F. R. Coyne, Ella Drake, Wealthy Brodhead, Thomas Joyce, T. J. Coyne, T. G. Osborne, John H. Davey.
- Fifth district (East of mountains)—H. H. Martin, Mark A. Wilmet, E. H. Hooper, Cassius McEade, Rosalie Stern, Ida Cobb, Mary Schinnerling, Grace Gardner, H. R. Drum.
- Sixth district (Ransom, Newton, South Abington, North Abington, West Abington, Waverly, Dalton, Glenburn, La Plume)—J. C. Hanyen, W. E. Jamieson, C. B. Hanyen, Bertha Holgate, Alice Foster, Fred J. Greene, F. L. Thompson, Mary C. Zeiss.
- Seventh district (Scott, Greenfield and Benton)—Fred U. Worth, Giles J. Miller, Carl Tiffany, Oscar Decker, Minnie Foster, Helen Baker, Nora J. Finch, Lona D. Williams, Ralph White.

The first institute will be held at Mayfield by the teachers of the Second district, next Saturday afternoon. Among the instructors who will be present are: Dr. McConnor, of Wilkes-Barre; Superintendent Howell and Superintendent Taylor.

**Trouble at Iloilo.**

Madrid, Sept. 29.—Advices from Iloilo report that the insurrection in the Philippines is increasing considerably.

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